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| | closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. | | | | | | | |
| Disposition of Claims | | | | | | | | |
| 4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending 4a) Of the above claim(s) 5) ☐ Claim(s) 1-8 and 10 is/are a 6) ☐ Claim(s) 9 is/are rejected. 7) ☐ Claim(s) is/are object 8) ☐ Claim(s) are subject to | is/are withdrav | vn from consideration. | | | | | | |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1-10 are pending. No drawings were filed with the application. Foreign priority has been claimed.

Election

Applicants election in paper dated November 19, 204 is acknowledged. Because applicant did not distinctly and specifically point out any reason of impropriety or any error in the restriction requirement, the election has been treated as an election without traverse (MPEP 818.03(a)). Claims 1-1- drawn to the following scope as elected are prosecuted. The remaining subject matter of claims 1-10 is withdrawn from consideration per 37 CFR 1.142 9b).

Based on the election the following scope hasbeen examined.

Compounds of formula I where X = N; Y = S; R2 is as defined and A/R1 are nonheterocyclic.

Information Disclosure Statement

The IDS has been considered.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The claims are self conflicting because the claims are drawn to pharmaceutical compositions without a dosage limitation. Please note that a pharmaceutical composition by definition can not be either ineffective or toxic. Therefore a pharmaceutical composition without

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any dosage is self conflicting. It is recommended that the term 'therapeutically effective amount' be incorporated into the claims.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-10 limited to compounds of formula I where X = N; Y = S; R2 is as defined and A/R1 are nonheterocyclic are allowable. The prior art of record does not teach or fairly suggest the claimed invention.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Amelia A. Owens whose telephone number is 571-272-0690. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 8:30 - 5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cecilia Tsang can be reached on 571-272-0562. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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